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Lowell Finley
Deputy Secretary of State
Voting Systems Technology and Policy
Office of Voting Systems Technology Assessment
California Secretary of State
1500 - 11th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: Surrender of Iron Mountain Intellectual Property Management, Inc.
Certification as an Approved Escrow Company**

Dear Mr. Finley:

Despite best efforts, it has become clear to Iron Mountain Intellectual Property Management, Inc. ("Iron Mountain") that it cannot comply with certain of California's regulations with respect to escrow services for ballot tally software program source codes ("ballot tally source codes"). Accordingly, pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 2, section 20663, Iron Mountain wishes to surrender its prior approval as an escrow company and the Secretary of State's approval of its facility located at 5455 Kearny Villa Road, San Diego, CA 92123 as an approved escrow facility for ballot tally source codes.

Iron Mountain requests that this surrender be accepted as an alternative to the administrative hearing regarding this matter, currently scheduled for January 15, 2010.

Since June 9, 2008, Iron Mountain has attempted to bring its facility into compliance with California regulations. However, the regulatory climate control requirements exceed industry norms and standards to an extent such that Iron Mountain cannot modify its San Diego facility to conform to the regulation. In addition, Iron Mountain has tried to negotiate amendments to contracts with certain of the vendors for which it is holding ballot tally source codes in order to comply with regulations regarding storage in California and availability for inspection by the Secretary of State. However, Iron Mountain has been unsuccessful in obtaining certain vendors' approval of the sought-after amendments.

In addition to requesting the ability to surrender the California Secretary of State's prior approval of Iron Mountain as an escrow company and its San Diego site as an approved escrow facility for ballot tally source codes, Iron Mountain would like to work with the California Secretary of State and vendors to cooperatively and efficiently effect an orderly transfer of



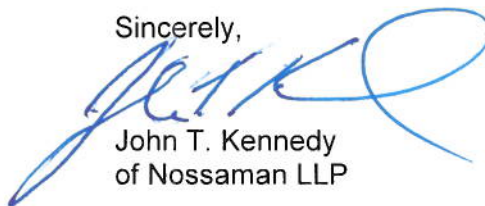
escrowed ballot tally source codes to other approved escrow agents and facilities within California.

Finally, as you can see below, Iron Mountain is also notifying all impacted vendors of its decision to surrender its prior approval as a escrow company for ballot tally source codes in order that the vendors can communicate with both the California Secretary of State and Iron Mountain regarding the effectuation of an orderly transfer of their ballot tally software program source codes to other California Secretary of State approved escrow agents and facilities.

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